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What is a “Congress” ?

- A “Congress” lasts for 2 years (starting in Jan. of odd-numbered years).
 - It is divided into 2 regular “sessions”
- Much work is done in committees – there are more than 200 (20 “standing” in the House; 16 “standing” in the Senate)
 - The first committee report for the 111th Congress would be identified as:
Senate Report 111-001 - or, S. Rept. 111-01
House Report 111-001 - or, H. Rept. 111-01

Major Congressional Activities

- Bills and Resolutions (introducing, evaluation)
They are referred to appropriate committee(s) or subcommittee(s)
– and Voting
- Committee Hearings
- Committee Reports
- Confirmations of Presidential Nominations (Senate)

Bills & Resolutions

- If introduced in the House of Representatives:
H. R. [number] – sequential
note: this does NOT stand for “House Report”
- If introduced in the Senate:
S. [number] – sequential

Most legislation is initiated in the House.

Of the more than 10,000 bills introduced in each “Congress”, only 600 or so are enacted into law.

(Source: Law Librarians’ Society of Washington, D.C. – www.llsdc.org) ⁴

H. R. 1

First Bill this session in
the House –
647 pages!

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 26, 2009

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

“enacting clause” – used
since 1871 - the
same in all bills

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “American Recovery
3 and Reinvestment Act of 2009”.

Resolutions

- Can be “simple” ; “joint” ; “concurrent”

Simple — re rules, operation, or opinion. If adopted, published in the Congressional Record.

Joint — per LC, “there is little practical difference between a bill and a joint resolution...except for a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution”.

Concurrent — per LC, “used merely for expressing facts, principles, opinions, and purposes of the two Houses”. On approval by both Houses, published in special Statutes at Large volume.

S. RES. 389

Submitted by Sen. Shelby of
Alabama

RESOLUTION

Commending The University of Alabama Crimson Tide for
being unanimously declared the 2009 NCAA Football
Bowl Subdivision National Champions.

Whereas the Crimson Tide earned a berth in the 2010 BCS
National Championship Game by defeating the then-un-
beaten Florida Gators 32–13 in the 2009 Southeastern
Conference Championship Game;

4 pages, highlighting the season – eventually, the
request to transmit an enrolled copy of this bill
to the Pres. of the Univ. of Alabama, the Athletic
Director, and to the Football Coach

Submitted by Sen. DeMint of
South Carolina on Aug. 3, 2010

111TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. J. RES. 38

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution
of the United States.

“ARTICLE—

“SECTION 1. Total outlays for any fiscal year shall
not exceed total receipts for that fiscal year, unless two-

Concurrent Resolution

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 106

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 23, 2009

Mr. BRIGHT (for himself and Mr. TERRY) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress in support of a single national fuel economy standard.

Committee Activity

- Committee **Hearings**
- Committee **Reports** – states purpose and background of bill, changes to the bill, cost estimates, and text of bill (if in House). Written if committee “reports favorably” the bill to the full House or Senate.
- Committee **Prints** (can include staff reports, investigative reports, draft reports and bills)
- Committee **Documents** -
 - Per GPO’s new FDsys database, can include committee prints (“if ordered to printed as documents”), and reports of executive depts./agencies.



Committee Report – S. Rept. 111-249 (26 pages; it is related to a bill)

Calendar No. 518

111TH CONGRESS }
2d Session }

SENATE

{ REPORT
{ 111-249

BIG OIL BAILOUT PREVENTION LIABILITY ACT OF 2010

AUGUST 5, 2010.—Ordered to be printed

Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public
Works, submitted the following,

R E P O R T

Committee Report

The Deepwater Horizon explosion and ongoing release of oil into the Gulf of Mexico have made it clear that the \$75 million per incident liability limit applicable to offshore facilities under OPA is outdated and inappropriate. An analyst at the financial services company Raymond James recently estimated the total cost of the Deepwater Horizon disaster to be \$63 billion,⁵ and Louisiana's State Treasurer has estimated that environmental and economic damages could reach up to \$100 billion.⁶ BP reports that it has incurred over \$3 billion in response costs thus far.⁷ As of July 5, 2010, BP reported that it had already paid over \$147,000,000 in claims.⁸

Includes citations for further reading

In testimony before the House of Representatives, MIT economist Michael Greenstone also described how an artificial limit on liability removes incentives for safety.¹⁰ Lifting the limit on liability, which requires companies to bear the liability for drilling activities, will ensure companies have the maximum incentive to avoid events such as the Deepwater Horizon disaster.

111TH CONGRESS }
1st Session }

COMMITTEE PRINT

{ S. Prt.
111-34 }

TARGET DATE RETIREMENT FUNDS:
LACK OF CLARITY AMONG STRUCTURES
AND FEES RAISES CONCERNS

Summary of Committee Research

research firm, Morningstar, Inc., corroborated the Aging Committee's findings, noting that among target date 2010 funds, stock allocations ranged from 26 percent of assets to 72 percent of assets.¹⁷

Committee Document – H. Doc. 111-129, part 1 -- 904 pages!

111th Congress, 2d Session – – – – – House Document 111-129

LOUISIANA COASTAL PROTECTION AND RESTORATION (LACPR) REPORT

Any program or assessment regarding the future sustainability of Louisiana's coastline must consider historical and future trends in erosion and sea level rise. For instance, Louisiana has lost 1,900 square miles of land since the 1930s (Barras et al., 1994; Barras et al., 2003; Dunbar et al., 1992). Between 1990 and 2000, wetland loss was approximately 24 square miles per year. The projected loss over the next 50 years, with current restoration efforts accounted for, is estimated to be approximately 500 square miles (Barras et al., 2003). As the late coastal

Committee Document – H. Doc. 110-76

Veto Message - Nov. 14, 2007

110th Congress, 1st Session – – – – – House Document 110–76

VETO MESSAGE ON H.R. 3043

To the House of Representatives:

I am returning herewith without my approval H.R. 3043, the “Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008.”

This bill spends too much. It exceeds the reasonable and responsible levels for discretionary spending that I proposed to balance the budget by 2012. The Congress is on a path to spend \$205 bil-

Keeping Current

- CQ Weekly is highly recommended (or other publications from CQ). Often includes an “outlook” for major topics under possible consideration.
- **THOMAS database** from the Library of Congress (“Current Activity” and “Weekly Top Five”)
- House and Senate websites
- For major legislation, newspaper or periodical articles are good starting points₁₆



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CQ Weekly. Fall 2010 Outlook - NASA



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CQ WEEKLY – WEEKLY REPORT

Sept. 13, 2010 – Page 2105

Fall 2010 Outlook: NASA Reauthorization

By Keith Perine, CQ Staff

Bills: S 3729, HR 5781

Outlook: The House is likely to pass its bill to reauthorize NASA, leading to talks with the Senate, which has passed companion legislation.

CQ Weekly – Fall Outlook – Synopsis/comparison of House & Senate bills

Synopsis: Bipartisan bills in both chambers would reauthorize the embattled space agency through fiscal 2013 and set parameters for the future of ◀◀NASA▶▶'s human spaceflight program. But so far, the House and Senate authorizers have responded differently to President Obama's fiscal 2011 budget proposal to shift the U.S. human spaceflight program toward commercial carriers. Lawmakers will have to resolve some disparities between the two bills, especially when it comes to funding the development of commercial spaceflight. The bill the Senate passed in August would devote much more money to transitioning to commercial carriers than the version approved in July by the House Science and Technology Committee.

For example, the Senate version would authorize \$300 million in fiscal 2011 for commercial cargo development and \$312 million for commercial crew development and related studies. The House bill would authorize \$50 million for commercial crew development and \$14 million for a commercial cargo demonstration program. As approved by the House panel, the House bill included another \$100 million for a new loan guarantee program for commercial carriers. Both versions of the legislation would authorize one more flight for the space shuttle fleet, which is scheduled for retirement by next year.

The Senate version, which a bipartisan group of senators worked out in negotiations with the White House, hews more closely to Obama's proposals for the future of ◀◀NASA▶▶ than does the House bill, and the White House has voiced support for the Senate version. If House and Senate lawmakers are not able to resolve their differences on an ◀◀authorization▶▶ measure, ◀◀NASA▶▶ policy language might be enacted as part of a prospective continuing resolution to fund the government after the current fiscal year expires Sept. 30. Provisions similar to the Senate reauthorization bill have already been written into the Senate version of the fiscal 2011 spending bill (S 3636) that would fund ◀◀NASA▶▶.

Legislative action: House Science and Technology Committee approved HR 5781 (H Rept 111-576) by voice vote July 22.

Senate passed S 3729 (S Rept 111-278) by voice vote Aug. 5.

Related stories: Senate passage of S 3729, CQ Weekly, p. 1934; House committee approval of HR 5781, p. 1812; Senate committee approval of S 3729, p. 1759.

CQ Weekly. Bills to Watch (subscription)

FOR THE RECORD

As of Sept 24, 2010

Bills to Watch | 111th Congress

(As of Sept. 24, 2010; * see the coverage in this issue)

BILL	HOUSE	SENATE	ADMINISTRATION VIEW
<p>* Aviation Programs Authorization HR 915 (H Rept 111-119, Parts 1 and 2); S 1451 (S Rept 111-82) <i>(Story, p. 2237)</i></p>	<p>Passed HR 915 5/21/09</p>	<p>Commerce, Science and Transportation approved S 1451 7/21/09</p>	
<p>Budget Guidelines for Fiscal 2011 H Res 1493; S Con Res 60 <i>(CQ Weekly, p. 2094)</i></p>	<p>Adopted H Res 1493 7/1/10</p>	<p>Budget approved S Con Res 60 4/22/10</p>	
<p>* Campaign Finance Overhaul HR 5175 (H Rept 111-492, Part 1); S 3628 <i>(Story, p. 2233)</i></p>	<p>Passed HR 5175 6/24/10</p>	<p>Rejected cloture on motion to proceed to debate on S 3628 7/27/10</p>	<p>President supports HR 5175</p>
<p>Climate Change and Energy Overhaul HR 2454 (H Rept 111-137, Part 1); S 1733 (S Rept 111-121); S 1462 (S Rept 111-48); S 3663 <i>(CQ Weekly, p. 2155)</i></p>	<p>Passed HR 2454 6/26/09</p>	<p>Energy and Natural Resources approved S 1462 7/16/09 Environment and Public Works approved S 1733 11/5/09</p>	<p>President supports HR 2454</p>

CQ Weekly. Bills to Watch (Cont.)

<p>* Defense Authorization for Fiscal 2011 HR 5136 (H Rept 111-491, Parts 1 and 2); S 3454 (S Rept 111-201) <i>(Story, p. 2232)</i></p>	<p>Passed HR 5136 5/28/10</p>	<p>Rejected cloture on motion to proceed to debate on S 3454 9/21/10</p>	<p>Veto threatened on HR 5136</p>
<p>Intelligence Authorization S 3611 (S Rept 111-223); HR 2701 (H Rept 111-186) <i>(CQ Weekly, p. 2101)</i></p>	<p>Passed HR 2701 2/26/10</p>	<p>Passed S 3611 8/5/10</p>	
<p>NASA Authorization HR 5781 (H Rept 111-576); S 3729 (S Rept 111-278) <i>(CQ Weekly, p. 2105)</i></p>	<p>Science and Technology approved HR 5781 7/22/10</p>	<p>Passed S 3729 8/5/10</p>	
<p>Oil Spill Response HR 5503 (H Rept 111-521, Part 1); HR 5629 (H Rept 111-567); HR 5626 (H Rept 111-581, Part 1); HR 2693 (H Rept 111-553); HR 5716 (H Rept 111-554, Part 1); HR 3534 (H Rept 111-575, Parts 1 and 2); S 3466; S 3516 (S Rept 111-236); HR 5851; S 3614; S 3597; S 3663 <i>(CQ Weekly, p. 2098)</i></p>	<p>Passed HR 5503 7/1/10 Transportation and Infrastructure approved HR 5629 7/1/10 Energy and Commerce approved HR 5626 7/15/10 Passed HR 2693 and HR 5716 7/21/10 Passed HR 3534 and HR 5851 7/30/10</p>	<p>Judiciary approved S 3466 6/24/10 Energy and Natural Resources approved S 3516 6/30/10 Commerce, Science and Transportation approved S 3614 7/22/10 Commerce, Science and Transportation approved S 3597 7/27/10</p>	<p>President supports HR 5851</p>
<p>Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty Treaty Doc 111-5 <i>(CQ Weekly, p. 2173)</i></p>		<p>Foreign Relations approved Treaty Doc 111-5 9/16/10</p>	<p>President supports treaty</p>

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THOMAS – Bill Summary & Status

Bill Summary & Status 111th Congress (2009 - 2010) S.3729

S.3729

Title: National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Sen Rockefeller, John D., IV](#) [WV] (introduced 8/5/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Related Bills: [H.R.5781](#)

Latest Major Action: 9/30/2010 Presented to President.

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**CBO – Congressional Budget Office report on
this legislation's cost to the federal government**
(link from Bill Summary & Status page; “CBO Cost Estimates” selected)

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that S. 3729 will be enacted near the beginning of fiscal year 2011 and that the amounts authorized and estimated to be necessary will be appropriated for each year. Estimated outlays are based on historical spending patterns for the affected agencies and programs. S. 3729 would specifically authorize the appropriation of nearly \$59 billion for NASA activities during the 2011-2013 period. Assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 3729 would cost \$58 billion over the 2011-2015 period.

For 2010, NASA received an appropriation of \$19 billion to fund its activities. For the 2011-2013 period, S. 3729 would authorize the appropriation of \$19 billion to \$20 billion a year for NASA's programs.

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“Enrolled” version – FINAL – what is sent to the President

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There are 3 versions of Bill Number S.3729 for the 111th Congress. **Usually, the last item is the most recent.**

- 1 . National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (Reported in Senate - RS) [\[S.3729.RS\]](#) [\[PDF\]](#)
- 2 . National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (Engrossed in Senate [Passed Senate] - ES) [\[S.3729.ES\]](#) [\[PDF\]](#)
- 3 . National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010 (Enrolled Bill [Final as Passed Both House and Senate] - ENR) [\[S.3729.ENR\]](#) [\[PDF\]](#)

ALL ACTIONS:

8/5/2010:

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Rockefeller. With written report No. [111-278](#).

8/5/2010:

Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 548.

8/5/2010:

Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR [S6982-6983](#))

8/5/2010:

Passed Senate with amendments by Unanimous Consent.

8/6/2010:

Message on Senate action sent to the House.

8/9/2010 7:09pm:

Received in the House.

The end of the fiscal year; vote taken at 11:36pm

9/29/2010 8:58pm:

DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on [S. 3729](#).

9/29/2010 9:41pm:

At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.

9/29/2010 11:30pm:

Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR [H7370-7371](#))

9/29/2010 11:36pm:

Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

9/29/2010 11:36pm:

On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 304 - 118 ([Roll no. 561](#)). (text: CR [H7342-7354](#))

9/29/2010:

Cleared for White House.

9/30/2010:

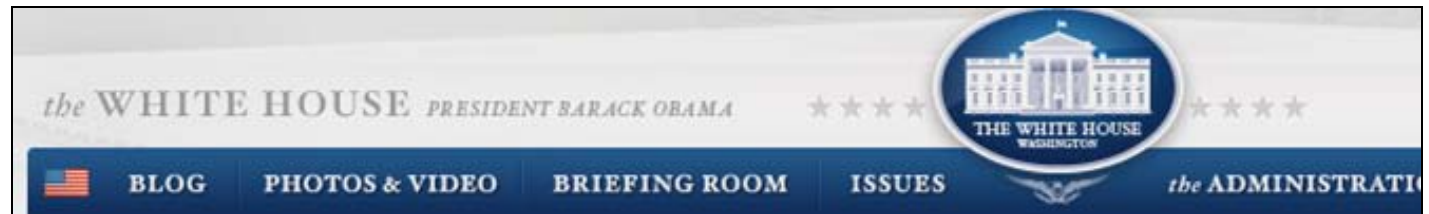
Presented to President.

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The White House – Pending Legislation - NASA



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The White House – Update – Oct. 11 (holiday) – President signed into law S. 3729

The White House

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

October 11, 2010

Statement by the Press Secretary on S. 3729

On October 11, 2010, the President signed into law:

S. 3729, the "National Aeronautics Space Administration Authorization Act of 2010," which authorizes appropriations to NASA for FYs 2011-2013; requires development of a Space Launch System that can access the regions of space beyond low-earth orbit; requires continued support for development of commercial crew and cargo transportation capabilities; supports use of the International Space Station (ISS) through 2020; and requires one additional Space Shuttle mission to the ISS in FY 2011.



Monday

10/11/2010

Congressional Hearings

- Held for important public policy issues in order to gather background info. for legislation.
- Example: the oil spill in the Gulf
 - Samantha Joye, Prof. of Marine Sciences at UGA, was asked to “testify” this summer.
- Dr. Joye’s prepared statements, like that of many other experts, convey and explain technical topics to a lay audience (Congress!)

House.gov – Oil Spill. Hearings. Committee on Science & Technology

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Dr. Joye's expert opinion and her illustration of the oil plume – excerpt from 13-page testimony

It is virtually impossible to understand or quantify the ecological consequences of the BP blowout on the Gulf of Mexico ecosystem without knowing how much oil and gas has leaked from the wellhead. These numbers need to be estimated and corroborated independently based on available observational data. Unfortunately, the leak rate was not quantified

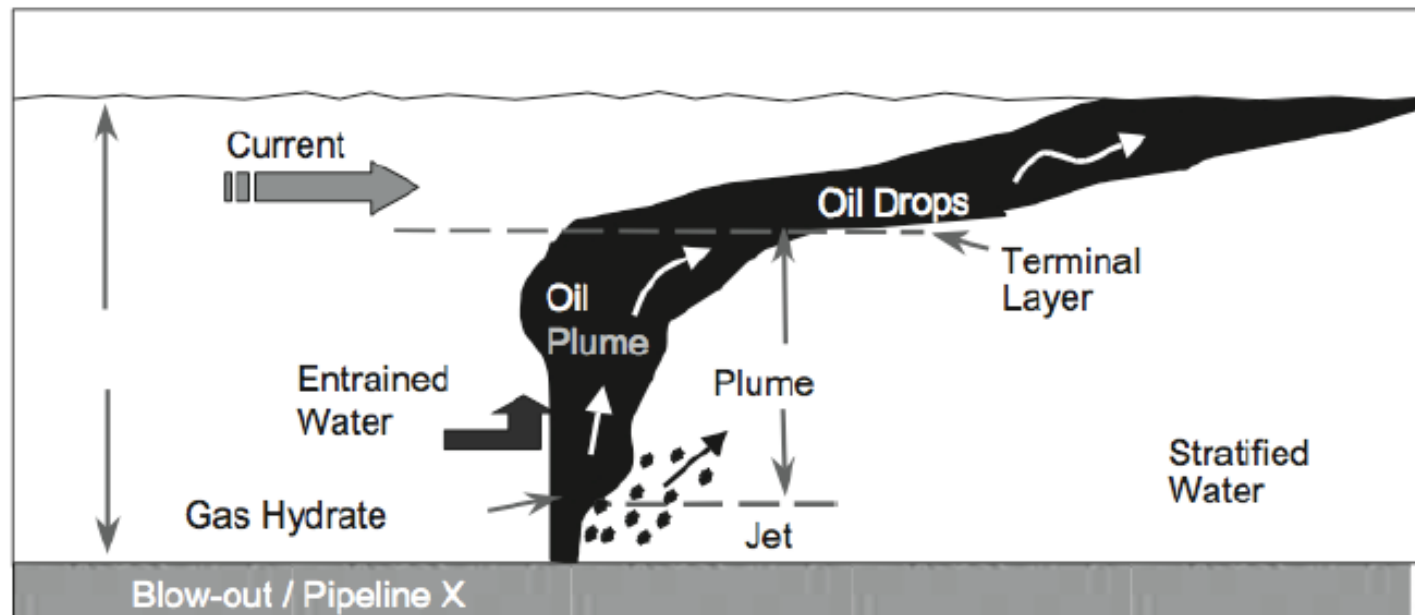


FIGURE 4-6 Schematic diagram depicting the basic physical processes involved in a deepwater subsurface oil and gas release.

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June 9, 2010 – Q&A with Dr. Joye

Rep. Baird - ...Dr. Joye...Can you talk to us a little bit about the impact of this spill on both harmful algal blooms, dead zones, and then if you've got some knowledge on deep-sea corals in particular.

Dr. Joye – Sure...So the organisms in the ocean that are responding to this oil spill are predominantly ones that eat methane and eat oil. So those organisms are all heterotrophic and in the upper water column they're oxygen-consuming heterotrophs.

So those organisms are being turned on by the -- stimulated, if you will -- by the input of oil and gas. What that does to the higher trophic levels of the system is -- is -- it's -- it's an abnormal stimulation. How that will cascade up to higher trophic levels is very unclear.

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Dr. Joye - In terms of the benzoic ecosystems, the Gulf of Mexico...

Rep. BAIRD: I'm -- I'm going to have to ask you to be very brief. Tell us what benzoic organisms are and then...

Dr. JOYE: So they're...

Rep. BAIRD: I know this, but...

Dr. JOYE: ... yes, so they're organisms that live on the sea floor all around the Gulf of Mexico. And these organisms include deepwater corals...

If you take away oxygen from the water those organisms will not be able to survive so the -- the implications and repercussions of -- of the oil and gas incident to the water column will be immediately felt by -- by any -- any creature that needs oxygen, if oxygen is depleted in the water.

Rep. BAIRD: So the oil doesn't -- the oil is -- is consumed by a certain category of organisms. In the process of doing that they also consume oxygen that deoxygenates the water column and that has adverse repercussions throughout the food chain.

Dr. JOYE: Exactly. So the bottom line is that it's good that they're getting rid of the oil, but you're also getting rid of oxygen...

Rep. BAIRD: At what cost? Thank you.

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The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is in the midst of many changes and one of the most challenging periods in its history. The space shuttle is slated to retire this year, the International Space Station nears completion but remains underutilized, and a new means of human space flight is under development. Most recently, the administration has proposed a new direction for NASA.

Amid all this potential change, GAO was asked to review the key issues facing NASA. This testimony focuses on four areas: 1) retiring the space shuttle; 2) utilizing and sustaining the International Space Station; 3) continuing difficulty developing large-scale systems, including the next generation of human spaceflight systems; and 4) continuing weaknesses in financial management and information technology systems.

NASA

Key Management and Program Challenges

GAO Highlights about NASA - on GAO's web site

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What GAO Found

The major challenges NASA faces include:

- Retiring the Space Shuttle.** The impending end of shuttle missions poses challenges to the completion and operation of the International Space Station, and will require NASA to carry out an array of activities to deal with shuttle staff, equipment, and property. This year the shuttle is scheduled to fly its final six missions to deliver hardware, supplies, and an international laboratory to the International Space Station. NASA officials remain confident that the current manifest can be accomplished within the given time, and add that should delays occur, the space station can still function. According to NASA, there are trade-offs the agency can make in what it can take up to support and sustain the station. However, failure to complete assembly would further reduce the station's ability to fulfill its research objectives and short the station of critical spare parts that only the shuttle can currently deliver. Retirement of the shuttle will require disposing of facilities; ensuring the retention of critical skills within NASA's workforce and its suppliers; and disposing of more than 1 million equipment items.
- Utilizing the International Space Station.** The space station, which is nearly complete, faces several significant challenges that may impede efforts to maximize utilization of its research facilities. These include the retirement of the shuttle and the loss of its unmatched capacity to move cargo and astronauts to and from the station; the uncertain future for the station beyond 2015; and the limited time available for research due to competing demands for the station's

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BYLINE: By KENNETH CHANG

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***New York Times article on
Feb. 4 about the hearing***

Congressional reaction to [President Obama's](#) ▼ budget for **NASA** was divided more along geographical than political lines Wednesday, as members of a House subcommittee debated the merits of scrapping the agency's plans to return to the moon by 2020 and shift, instead, to developing new launching technologies.

Representative [Pete Olson](#), ▼ a Republican member of the House Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics whose Texas district includes **NASA's** Johnson Space Center in Houston, was sharply critical of Mr. [Obama's](#) ▼ plan, which would also outsource the launching of astronauts to private enterprise.

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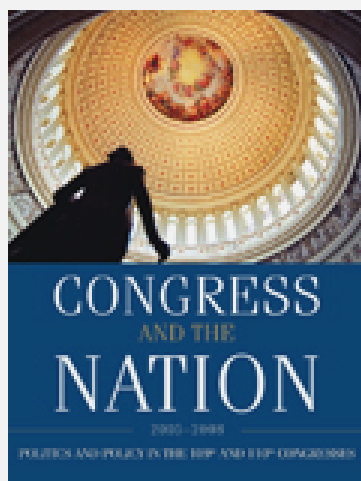
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With **speed seldom seen in Congress, both chambers** in 2003 rushed through legislation (**HR 3161**) to validate the **Federal Trade Commission (FTC) “do not call” registry** that was intended to halt **unwanted telemarketing calls** into **private homes**.

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On **Sept. 23 U.S. District Court Judge** Lee R. West in Oklahoma ruled that the **FTC did not have the authority** to begin enforcing its registry.

The **public outcry was swift and loud**, and it was clearly **heard** in the halls of **Congress**. The opportunity to block un-wanted sales calls was hugely **popular** across the country. On **Sept. 24** Rep. Billy **Tauzin**, R-La., chair of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, met with aides at noon and ordered them to **draft** legislation explicitly **authorizing** the FTC to launch the registry. From there on it was a fast train to enactment.

Do Not Call Registry

Congress and the Nation. Continued

Tauzin at first encountered difficulty in getting HR 3161 to the **House floor** as leaders were **reluctant** to add it to a **continuing funding resolution**. He then turned to the **news media**, holding a **3 p.m. press conference** at which he attacked the Oklahoma court ruling. That in turn launched a deluge of **statements and press releases from other House members** expressing outrage at the decision. By 5:30 p.m. House leaders agreed to take up the legislation the following day. On **Sept. 25** the **House** on a key vote of 412-8 (R 219-5; D 192-3; I 1-0) **passed** the bill before lunchtime. The **Senate** **cleared** the bill by a 95-0 vote later the **same day**.

Before President George W. Bush signed the bill into law Sept. 29 (PL 108-82), a **federal judge** in Denver, Colorado, put the registry **on hold**, ruling that it violated the **free speech** rights of **telemarketers** because it exempted charitable organizations. Judge Edward W. Nottingham blocked the FTC plan to begin enforcement on **Oct. 1**. A **federal appeals court** ruled **Oct. 7** that the FTC could **begin enforcing** the list while the case was argued.

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12/18/1974	Conference report agreed to in House: House agreed to conference report.
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Selected entry is from Thomas Jefferson
(Secretary of State in 1792)

...Spain sets up a claim to possessions within the State of Georgia, founded on her having rescued them by force from the British during the late war...

France, on our invitation, lauded a large army within our territories...but she did not pretend to keep possession of the places rescued...

At the conclusion of the war, Great Britain, on the 30th of November, 1782, by treaty acknowledged our independence, and our boundary, to wit: the Mississippi to the west, and the completion of the 31st degree, &c. to the south.

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Mr. WHITE asked the indulgence of the House to allow him to present a letter he had the honor to receive from Mr. Gallatin, and another from the draughtsman of the General Land Office, relating to the report of the commissioners of Spain and the United States.

The motion was, by unanimous consent, received, and the papers ordered to be printed.

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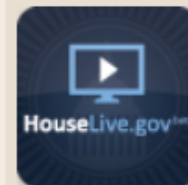
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